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Confirmation No. 3424

Alastair Hugh SERVANTE et al.

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated April 10, 2002, period for response having been extended for three months by the attached petition, please amend the present application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 25 to 32 without prejudice of the subject matter thereof and add the following claims in their place:

33. (New) A film printable with radiation curable inks, said film comprising a substrate and at least a surface layer, said layer covering at least one face of said substrate and consisting essentially of 10 to 98% by weight of a water-dispersible polymer able to provide a smooth film surface for printing and 2 to 90% by weight of an ethylenically unsaturated compound able to plasticize the coating, said ethylenically unsaturated compound selected from polyfunctional acrylates resulting from the esterification of a polyol with (meth)acrylic acid or polyallyl derivatives, whereby said surface layer does not contain an addition polymerization photoinitiator.

34. (New) The printable film according to claim 33, wherein said water-dispersible polymer forms a matrix and said ethylenically unsaturated compound is included in said matrix.



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Respectfully submitted,

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